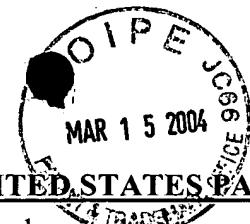


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This responds to the Office Action mailed on September 8, 2003. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a three-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from December 8, 2003 to March 8, 2004.